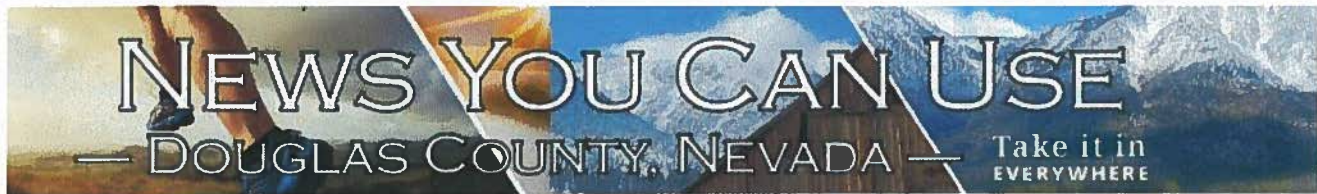


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COUNTY MANAGER'S CORNER

I would like to first offer my sympathies to those who were affected by the recent flash flooding in Douglas County. Many of you have suffered damage to your property as a result of the recent flood events. Many of you have expressed your concerns and frustrations over this situation and I can assure you we are taking every measure in our power to respond, recover and develop a long term solution with-in our means.

Over the last weeks of storms and subsequent flooding, East Fork Fire and Paramedic District, Douglas County Sheriff's Department, Douglas County Road Department including Roads and Utilities, GIS, Public Information, and the Community Development department staff has been working countless hours to assist residents. Our main priority has been public safety first and foremost followed by clean-up.

Questions have been asked of staff and so we have outlined a few common questions and answers for you below.



What is the Road Division doing to help with the clean-up and how can I contact them if I have flood damage on my road or drains?

Our Road Division staff is in the process of removing dirt and debris from many of the drainage infrastructure, mainly flow lines and culverts. Along with re-establishing of flow lines, we are shoring up the road sides from the excessive erosion that occurred as a result of the flooding. We have contracted with A&A Construction and they are removing some of the several thousands yards of soil that filled the detention basins/flow lines around Johnson Lane. We expect this work

to take a minimum of 2 weeks, with occasional road closures Monday through Saturday, 7:00 am to 3:30 pm.

We had the National Department of Forestry (NDF) crews working on clearing out buried culverts and opening up the ends of the culverts, both public and private.

Why does the Johnson Lane Area Keep Flooding?

Johnson Lane floods because very short length, but high intensity storms bring high volumes of water quickly resulting in drainage facilities becoming overwhelmed. County drainage systems are generally sized for the 25-year 24-hour storm which is a long, gentle rainfall with an intensity of about .1-inches per hour. Last year's flood event was a 100-year, 2 hour rain event which delivered about .6-inches of rain fall an hour. This month's event was a 500-year 1-hour storm which dropped 1.12-inches of rain. These events are 6 to 12 times more powerful than what the drainage system in Johnson Lane is equipped to handle.

What is Douglas County's long term plan to address the flooding issues in Douglas County?

This will be discussed at the August 6th Board Meeting. Currently no tax dollars are dedicated to storm drain improvements. The County has been 100% reliant on applying for and being awarded grants to fund storm water improvements. The County has been very successful in obtaining these grants, but generally these grants are awarded to improve flood issues along major transportation routes (SR88, US395, US50) and the County has not been as successful in the Johnson Lane Area. The first step in addressing flood issues in the County is to complete and Area Drainage Master Plan (ADMP) for Johnson Lane. This ADMP would provide a list of projects and potential cost and allow the County to prioritize construction.

Although these issues will not be resolved overnight, I can assure you Douglas County is doing everything we can to help our residents. We will be hosting a flood outreach event on August 6th at the CVIC Hall from 3:30-7pm. We hope this event will allow residents to speak with several members of our staff about their concerns around the flooding.

Sincerely,

Jim Nichols, PE, ICMA-CM
County Manager



Douglas County Manager Jim Nichols discusses a few highlights from the last Board of County Commissioner's Meeting in June of 2015.

The Carson Valley AVIATION ROUND UP August 22nd and 23rd Sponsored by

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The 5th Annual Aviation Roundup will be on the 22nd & 23rd of August. The show will feature the US Air Force Thunderbirds, Team Rocket, Bill Stein, Kyle Franklin, Matt Younkin, Manfred Radius, and Dan Buchanan. The performers will perform on both the 22nd & 23rd.

- Gates will open at 10:00 am.
- The Opening Ceremonies will be at 12:00 pm, which will start the show.
- Gates will close at 5:00 pm.

This is going to be a show you don't want to miss. For tickets visit [Aviation Roundup](#)

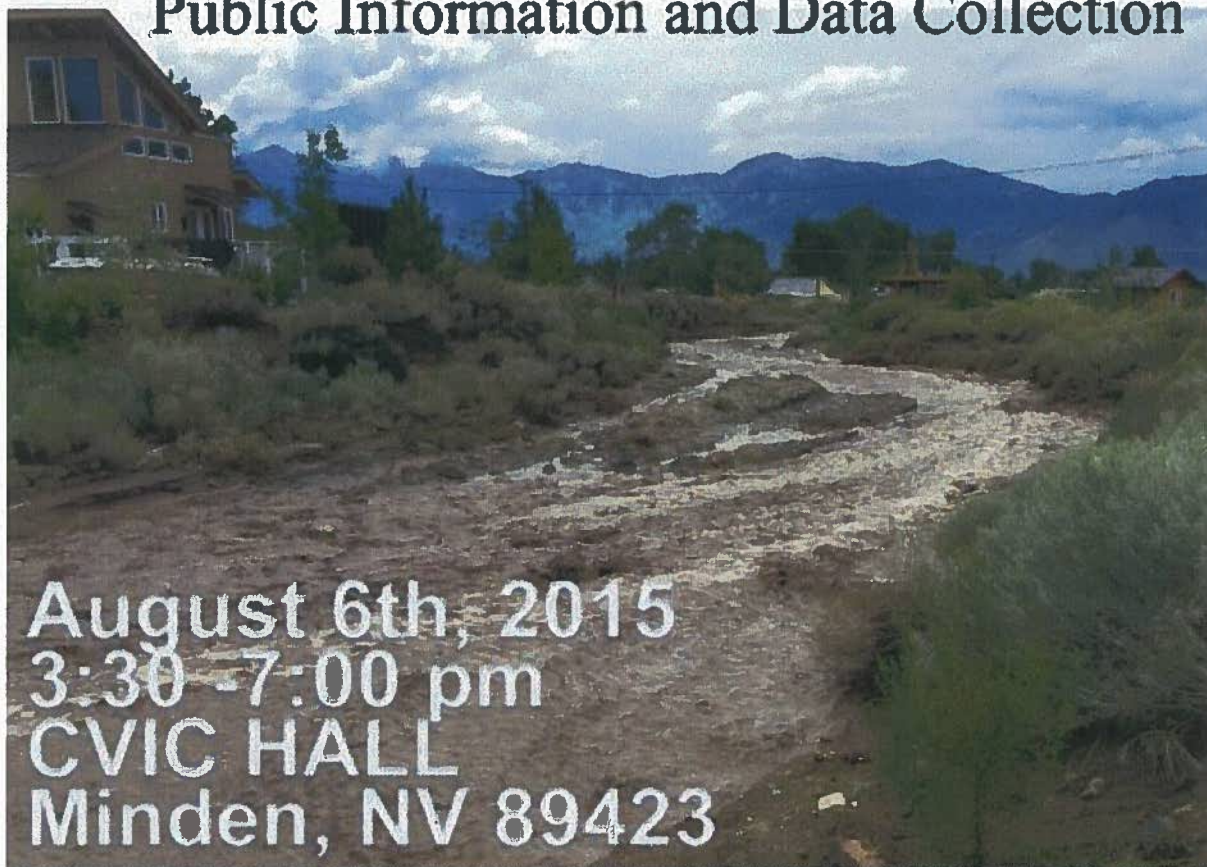
To hear more about the Aviation Roundup in detail listen as Public Information Officer, Melissa Blosser Interviews our Airport Manager Bobbi Thompson.



SAVE THE DATE

Douglas County Flood Outreach

Public Information and Data Collection



Staff will be available to answer questions concerning recent flooding. We welcome public input. Maps of damage assessment will be available for viewing. Representatives from the following departments and agencies will be present:

- Public Works
- Engineering/StormWater Management
- Planning, Zoning, Building
- National Weather Service
- GIS (Maps)
- State and County Emergency Management
- Public Information



For more information call (775)782-9821 or visit www.douglascountynv.gov

WANT TO BE AN INTERN FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY?

A letter from Tillery Williams
County Management Intern
Douglas County Manager's Office

My Experience as an Intern:

Being a Management Intern for Douglas County has been everything I had hoped for and even more. The staff and Board of Commissioners have all been very welcoming and have opened up their doors for me to learn various processes and contribute to serving the citizens. I always knew I wanted to serve my community from an early age. Part of this desire stems from my upbringing in the church, as well as my volunteering at my local Boys and Girls Club as teenager. I always said to myself that since these organizations and my community helped create the person I have become, one day I would work in a role that allowed me to give back to the community. I have worked for non-profits and both state and tribal government agencies in the past, but I always felt that the best way I could help my local community was to obtain a position in local government. By working in local government, an individual has the ability to research, propose and develop policies that have a direct impact on the local community. Also, it is at the local level of government that the citizens have the most contact with their elected officials and staff. It is for these reasons I chose to take the path that ultimately led me to Douglas County.

Obtaining a position in local government is very challenging. Since most local governments (especially in rural Nevada) are smaller entities, there are a limited amount of positions. Therefore, the process to obtain a position in local government is more competitive here. I had applied for many entry level positions in local government within Northern Nevada, but for some reason or another, I was never selected for a position. One day, as I sat discouraged in my living room at home, I decided to reach out to all of the City/County Managers in Northern Nevada to see if any of them would accept me as a volunteer. I am confident in my ability to effectively contribute and felt that if I was just given an opportunity, I would succeed. So, I drafted an email and sent it to every City/County Manager as far as Humboldt County, (Winnemucca) and after a week or so of waiting for a response, Douglas County Manager Jim Nichols responded and had me come in to meet with him on the next day. I cannot thank Jim enough because out of all of the people I emailed, he was the only Manager who took the time to email back.

Within the next few weeks, I had completed a background check, met with both Jim and Lisa Granahan, Douglas County Economic Vitality Manager, and had been given a start date. Since then, I have gained some of the most valuable and career altering experience that a person looking to join this field could ask or hope for. For example, I have been included in many different County and advisory/citizen board meetings where I have been allowed to share my thoughts about the things taking place in Douglas County. Furthermore, I have worked in cohesion with staff to complete important projects that will better this community.

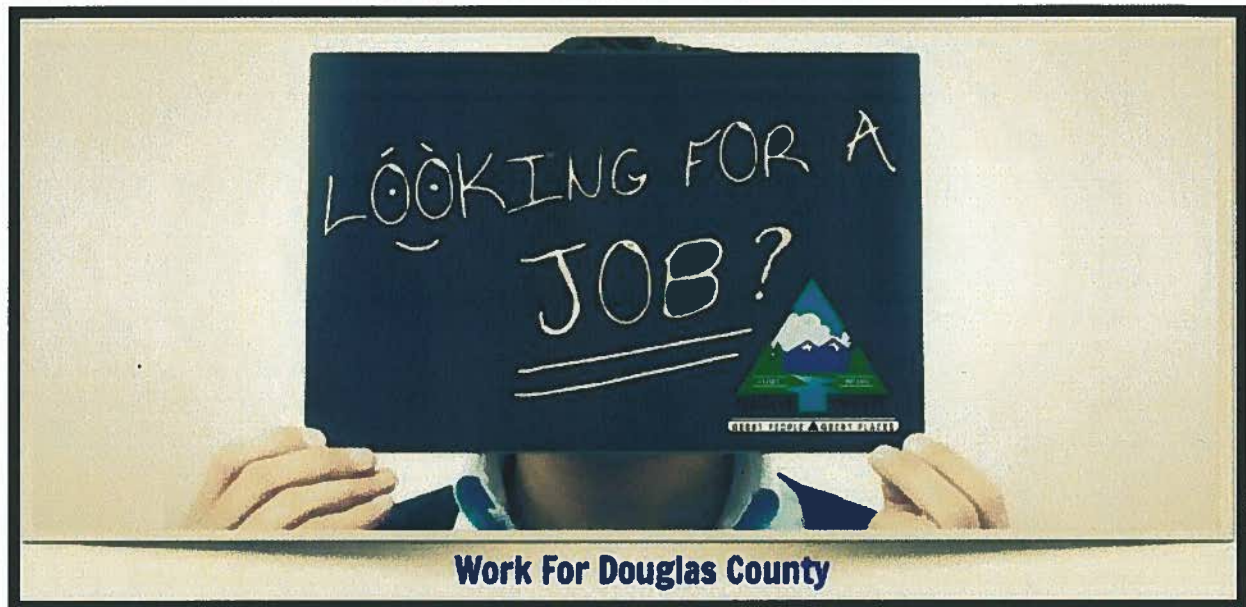
Although I am an intern, I have been treated like a staff member, and the amazing things I have been involved with in my position have allowed for me to gain a better understanding of local government. Working in such a capacity has been beneficial to my career, and I encourage other Department heads to consider bringing in interns in the future. I am sure there are others out there who are in my position who would value such an opportunity. Much thanks to Jim, Lisa and everyone who I have come into contact with for making my experience beneficial and the best.

Tillery Williams

Masters of Public Administration, University of Idaho (2006)
PhD Candidate, University of Idaho (2012-current)

If you are interested in becoming an intern for Douglas County, please contact Human Resources at (775) 782-9066.

DOUGLAS COUNTY JOB OPPORTUNITIES FAIR AND OPENINGS



Douglas County will be present and is in the process of recruiting and hiring for many positions within the County. To view our postings please visit [DOUGLAS COUNTY JOBS](#)



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Gardnerville, NV 89410
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August 10–14, 2015
9:00AM – 11:30 AM
1:00 PM – 4:30 PM

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www.douglascountynv.gov
No appointment necessary

For more information please call (775) 782-9038

DOUGLAS COUNTY EVENTS

Many Events Take Place in Douglas County but these are events sponsored by our towns

and the County government

Douglas County Parks & Recreation Department
Co-Sponsored by the Town of Minden & Carson Valley Inn

2015

GE Family Concert Series

All concerts start at 6:30pm*
Concerts are held at Minden Park**



May 29
Garrett Wilkin & the Parrotheads
Co-Sponsored by Starbucks Carson Valley
Roasting Plants & Distribution Center



June 26
Steelin' Dan
Co-Sponsored by
Dr. James the Dentist



July 17
Imagine (Beatles Tribute)
Co-Sponsored by
Edgewood Companies



August 7
Mumbo Gumbo
Co-Sponsored by
Bentley Enterprises



August 28
Shane Dwight
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Carson Tahoe Hospital



September 11
FREE FUNDRAISING CONCERT
Local bands play for a great cause
All donations benefit Austin's House

All concerts are free of charge due to the generous contributions of local businesses and organizations

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For more information, please contact Douglas County Parks & Recreation at 782-5500 ext. 1

*August 28 concert starts at 6pm **Austinpalooza will be held at TJ's Corral, starting at 5:30pm



Press Release: Next "Main Street Mingle" to be hosted by Jacobs Family Berry Farm

Release Date: Immediate Release

Contact: Paula Lochridge, Program Manager

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Next "Main Street Mingle" to be hosted by Jacobs Family Berry Farm

Join Main Street Gardnerville on Monday, August 10th, 5:00 pm—6:30 pm at Jacobs Family Berry Farm, 1335 Centerville Lane in Gardnerville and mingle with other members of your community. It's an opportunity to talk about upcoming events, projects or just things in general that might have an impact on our downtown district. It is also a great way to meet and share ideas with your neighbors. Feel free to bring any promotional materials you would like to share with other attendees.



This is free to attend, however you are encouraged to RSVP by August 6th by calling 775-782-8027 or by email at Info@MainStreetGardnerville.org. Light refreshments will be provided, courtesy of Jacobs Family Berry Farm and Quail Cottage Antiques.

Main Street Gardnerville is in its seventh year thanks to the support of the community. With the exception of one paid staff member, they are an all-volunteer organization of approximately 100 individuals who give their time and talents to various projects and events for the purpose of revitalizing our downtown district.

For more information on the Main Street Gardnerville Program, please visit their website at MainStreetGardnerville.org.

Main Street Gardnerville is a 501(c)6 non-profit corporation and an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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